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Judges

Joseph Bassano, J.D.; Khara Singer-Mack, J.D.; Thomas Muskus, J.D; Karl Oakes, J.D. and Jeffrey J. Shampo, J.D.

III. Term and Tenure of Office; Vacancy

B. Power to Fix and Alter Term

§ 54. When change effective

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A constitutional amendment changing the term of office of a judge becomes effective on the date the votes for the amendment are canvassed, whereas a statutory provision changing the term of a judicial office will not be effective until the expiration of the term in which the statute is enacted.

A constitutional amendment changing the term of office of a judge becomes effective on the date the votes for the amendment are canvassed.¹ Generally, such amendment has only a prospective application without effect on the term of incumbent judges.² Similarly, a statutory provision changing the term of a judicial office may not be effective until the expiration of the term in which the statute is enacted.³

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Footnotes

1 Nev.—[Torvinen v. Rollins](#), 93 Nev. 92, 560 P.2d 915 (1977).

2 Nev.—[Torvinen v. Rollins](#), 93 Nev. 92, 560 P.2d 915 (1977).

3 Ark.—[Weas v. Montgomery](#), 180 Ark. 989, 23 S.W.2d 969 (1930).